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For: PHOTOMASK AND PATTERN FORMING METHOD EMPLOYING THE SAME

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Request for Supplemental Notice of Allowability and  
Corrected Notice of Allowance;  
Copy of Preliminary Amendment dated November 10, 1998;  
and  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), in duplicate;  
All papers as filed in the parent application (including  
Description, claims, Abstract, Declaration and  
Power of Attorney, and drawings);  
Request For Approval of Proposed Drawing Corrections;  
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**REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY  
AND CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

The applicants request the Examiner to issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability to enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment, filed November 10, 1998, along with the continuation application. The Preliminary Amendment includes 37 newly-added claims, which we request the Examiner, if in allowable condition, to issue a Notice of Allowability to update the original Notice of Allowability mailed April 16, 1999, so that the record will clearly show the allowed claims as being --claims 10-46--. A copy of the mailroom date-stamped receipt is also enclosed.

If all claims are found to be allowable, then the Notice of Allowance should be corrected to reflect the correct number of claims as being --37--.

Respectfully submitted,

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